

TOBACCO WORMS.

Successful Method of Destroying Them.

The Original Plan of Poisoning the Fly Which Lays the Egg Is the Most Popular.

With the planting of every tobacco crop the farmers always begin preparations to prevent big crop of worms. However, within the past three or four years there is not the universal attention paid to this matter that there was some ten or twelve years ago. The tobacco fly which deposits the egg that produce the worm is called a miller, and the plan by which the greatest number of these can be killed in the shortest possible time is the plan for the extermination of the tobacco fly is the best, though others have come into use. This plan is to place powdered cobalt in a pint bottle of sweetened water, with a small quill inserted in the cork, and by quick motion to insert a little of the preparation into the Jamestown weed bloom. This should be done at sunset. If done too soon it will dry up before the miller begins to fly around, which it does about twilight. Quite a number of dead ones are found the next day. There should be a number of the Jamestown plants along the outside of the field, along the fences, and also in the interior of the field. It is well known that the light at night attracts all kinds of winged insects, as may be seen by observing the electric street light on any summer night. Knowing the attraction of the light for the tobacco fly some farmers place a tub two-thirds full of water, put a bright glass lantern above it, and succeed in trapping numbers. This should be tried. The Jamestown weed some years does not bloom soon enough, hence the light could be used as soon as the tobacco is large enough to attract the miller, and both could be used during the season. For a large field there should be several lights. Burning brush outside the field when it is dark has also been done with success. By close attention to the foregoing nearly all the labor of hunting worms can be saved and there is no need of poisoning the tobacco with paris green. Some planters, when informed of the foregoing plan, answer, "Oh, yes, if my neighbors would do it, it might do all right." This is simply stolid stupidity. What is to hinder the neighbors "hummingbird" from receiving its portion? Who can tell whence the tobacco fly comes? They are very swift on the wing. —Owensboro Messenger.

Success in naval warfare has nothing of the hifalutin, sensational aspect about it; there is no waving of swords and cheering to the men; no preparation for heading the boarders and thus driving the enemy from his ships. It is now a question of higher mathematics as to how the gun's shall be trained to strike the enemy's ship so far distant that the men upon her are undistinguishable even with marine glasses. It is, we say the gray brain tissue highly developed and properly organized which wins the victory.

The real name of the little king of Spain is Alfonso Leo Ferdinand Maria James Isidore Pascal Antonio, king of Spain, of Castile, of Leon, of Aragon, of the two Sicilies, Jerusalem, of Navarre, of Granada, of Toledo, of Valencia, of Galicia, of Majorca, of Minorca, of Murcia, of Jaen, of Algiers, of Alogesians, of Gibraltar, of Canaries, of the East and West Indies, of India and Oceanic continent, Archduke of Austria, duke of Burgundy, of Brabant and of Milan, count of Hapsburg and lord of Biscay and Molina.

Killing in Pulaski County.
Somerset, Ky., June 20.—Saturday evening at 6 o'clock John Perry Colyer, a farmer of this county, shot and killed A. J. Catron, Jailer of Pulaski county. Both were intoxicated. The trouble came up over a feeling which grew out of the Colyer-Wickersham tragedy some six months ago.

Thanks to Spain.
Thanks to the belligerent idiosyncrasy of Spain we shall be the owners of Porto Rico, the Philippines, the Ladrone and Caroline Islands, and whatever else Spain possesses that we may need in our business of conducting the largest republic on earth. —New York Journal.

COOLNESS IN BATTLE.

Capt. Wildes Drank His Coffee While Fighting the Spanish Fleet in Manila Bay.

If you want to say that any man is always cool, calm and collected, say that he is as cool as Capt. Wildes, of the cruiser Boston. He is one of the officers with Dewey's fleet at Manila, and all the world is wondering at his calmness. While the Boston slowly steamed into the bay of Manila, while two opposing storms of projectiles swept the waters, while a man could not hear himself think in the thunder of the guns, Wildes stood on the Boston's bridge watching, when the smoke raised, the deadly accuracy of his gun-



TAKING THINGS EASY.
("I'd Thank You for a Cup of Coffee.")

ners. Wildes was as cool as a cucumber, but the weather was warm. So he called for a big palm leaf fan, and, calm as a woman at the opera, fanned himself.

So cool and calm was this Yankee fighter while the Spanish ships were sinking under the hail of lead that he remembered he had not had his breakfast. It speaks well for Wildes that, under the circumstances, he betthought himself he was hungry. If a man has a good appetite he is in good health, and if he's healthy he can fight. Feeling the cravings of his appetite, Wildes ordered a cup of coffee to be served to him on the bridge. One can easily imagine he hears Wildes' order, punctuated by orders, thus:

"I'd thank you for a cup of coffee—lieutenant, you've got the correct range—and not too much sugar. Another smash like that and the Castella's a goner."

This is probably the first cup of coffee ever served and consumed on a fighting bridge during battle. "Cafe a la Wildes" will be a popular drink in Uncle Sam's navy.

But Wildes was not the only hungry man in that fleet during the first part of the magnificent fight. Dewey was hungry, and, being kind and thoughtful, he remembered that all his men and all his officers must be hungry, too. So when breakfast time came Dewey drew off his fleet, and every Yankee on the fleet enjoyed his breakfast very much indeed. Having finished breakfast they went back and finished the Spaniards.

COL. JONES ALLEN.
The Man Who Inspects and Revises All the Press Dispatches Sent Via Key West.

Capt. Jones Allen, nominated a lieutenant colonel by the president, is a sphinx and a terror to the correspondents now quartered at Key West. The new lieutenant colonel is the censor of the press dispatches at that point, and, although implacable in that capacity, he is a very good fellow otherwise. He was graduated from the military academy in 1872 and spent three years with the Third cavalry in Wyoming. After that he was detached for signal service and remained in that department of the army until 1878. He was sent to New Mexico for three years, and in 1881 returned to the signal service in Washington. In 1884 he rejoined the Third cavalry, then in the Indian territory. For two years—from 1887 to 1889—he was detailed as cavalry instructor at West Point, was detached again for signal service, and from 1892 to 1894 he was a member of Gen. Miles' staff at Chicago. Since 1894 Capt. Allen has done staff duty, chiefly with Gen. Ruger and Gen. Merritt. He was promoted to the rank of captain ten years ago.



COL. JONES ALLEN.
(Censor of Press Dispatches at Key West, Fla.)

London's Milk Supply.
If only pure milk were sold in London it is estimated that from 20,000 to 30,000 more cows would be wanted to keep up the supply.

Small Potatoes in Greenland.
In Greenland potatoes never grow larger than marbles.

COLOR WITHOUT PIGMENTS.

A Thin Film with a Marvelous Display of Tints.

M. Henry, professor of physiology at the Sorbonne, Paris, has been able apparently to produce colors without the use of coloring matter. All have admired at times the beautiful and rich play of colors flashed back when a drop of oil is allowed to fall in water. By a long study of this phenomenon Prof. Henry has been enabled to catch and perpetuate these hitherto effervescent colors, and to mount them so that they can be examined at leisure. The following is the outline of his process, as described in the Repertoire de Pharmacie: The object which he wishes to color—say a sheet of waterproof paper, a plate of glass or a smooth board—is placed in a tank or basin large enough to permit the object to lie flat and level. Water is then let in, through numerous little jets, from the bottom of the tank until the object is covered to a slight depth. A drop or two of a volatile solution of some gum or resin, insoluble in water, is allowed to drop in the water, and at once spreads itself in a thin layer over the surface. When a portion of the volatile solvent has evaporated, leaving an exceedingly thin film of the resin (bitumen, asphalt, resin, etc.) reposing on the surface of the water, the professor whistles a tune over it and the water and the film are thus thrown into rhythmical undulations, each of which represents a certain tone. In a short time the solvent vanishes entirely and the film of resin is left floating on the water. The latter is now very gently and slowly withdrawn from the basin, and the film is thus gradually lowered to the surface of the paper, glass or wood object, as the case may be. When it comes into actual contact the object carrying the film is removed and allowed to dry, preserving all the time the marvelous display of colors that is presented while on the water. A recent number of the Repertoire de Pharmacie had as an insert a little sheet of paper thus prepared—moire, as it is called. As is usual in such inventions, this is probably but the beginning of a process that will prove of great value in the arts—indeed, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that the solution of the vexing and hitherto unsolved problem of color photography may be found in this new device of catching and holding nature's colors. —Philadelphia Record.

DIFFERENT REGIONS.
Some Seem to Repel and Others to Attract Human Life.

Regarded in their relation to man, the different regions of the earth may be arranged under two general types. Some seem to repel man, who does not establish cities or large states in them. Their inhabitants lead a kind of vegetable existence, often as nomads, always thinly scattered, and poor if not wretched, with no aspirations beyond material existence. Other lands, on the contrary, seem to attract human life. Men flow to them from all quarters, as the blood from the extremities to the heart. They collect in opulent cities, and build up powerful states in which brilliant civilizations develop. But only a superficial glance over history is sufficient to enable us to recognize that these centers of resort and centers of dispersion change their places in the course of ages; and on every side we behold them undergoing alterations of grandeur and decay; countries once resplendent with glory are now deserted and wretched, while men are thronging toward regions which they formerly persistently avoided. The reason of these contrasts is to be found in the complex relation between the land and man. If man goes to one place in preference to another, it is because he finds there a fuller satisfaction of his desires and wants. To obtain the largest sum of enjoyment at the price of the smallest expenditure of effort is essentially a law of man's life. We may, therefore, conclude that if man turns away from a region to which he was once attached, it is because the resources have become, in his eyes, relatively less valuable. —M. L. Galloues, in Popular Science Monthly.

Wasn't Blamed for That.
An old lady from Oxford, Mich., who, with her husband had spent the winter in this state, was asked by one of her neighbors if she had heard an earthquake while in California. "Yes, I heard one," she answered, "and rather enjoyed it; for it was the first thing that happened since John and I have been married that he did not think I was to blame for!" —San Francisco Argonaut.

Necessary Adjunct.
Guzzler—Were there any theatrical performances in the time of Nero? Jawbitt—There couldn't have been. Tobacco was not in use then, so the villain could not have had a cigar or a cigarette to smoke. —Town Topics.

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